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Applicant: Steven R. Hilliard
Title: Inductive Signature Measurement Circuit
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed on behalf of the Applicant in the patent application filed herewith. Together this Preliminary Amendment and the specification of the parent application, Application Number 10/184,768, filed June 28, 2002, constitute a continuation application in a condition for examination.